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1. In cooperation with the Staatliche Geologische Kommission (State Geological Commission), the Forschungsinstitut fuer NE Metalle (Research Institute for Nonferrous Metals) Heinrich Heine-Strasse 16, Freiberg, uncovered an alumina deposit in Piskowitz, west of Kamenz, which is estimated at one billion (Milliarden) tons.
2. In Sproitz near Niesky a new deposit of alumina clay and lignite was discovered. The deposit of lignite is estimated at 1,500,000 tons.
3. In a report to Minister President Otto Grotewohl, Professor Saueressig (fnu) of the Institute for Applied Mineralogy (Institut fuer Angewandte Mineralogie), 17 Karchergasse, Dresden A 20, pointed out that the alumina clay in the Piskowitz - Wiesa area is white and clean. It is reported to contain 9% soluble  $Al_2O_3$ .
4. Professor Saueressig also suggested exploiting the lead ore deposits in the area of VEB Kalkwerk Hermsdorf/Erzgebirge. He reports that his findings indicate that these lead deposits amount to 2,000,000 tons, containing 2 to 4% lead, as well as 1% cadmium. The above-mentioned concern, VEB Kalkwerk Hermsdorf, mines lime.

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